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RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication as to the allowance of the present application. However, applicants respectfully submit the Statements of Reasons for Allowance are, in and of themselves, inappropriate. The Examiner has indicated that the claims are allowed by importing an interpretation into the claims in relation to the prior art that may place an unwarranted limiting interpretation upon the claims. Such a characterization of the claims in view of the prior art would not properly take into account the applicant's claimed invention as reflected in the specification and the Applicants' responses to the Examiner's

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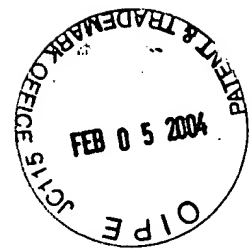
Office Actions. Further, while applicants believe that the claims are allowable, applicants do not acquiesce that patentability resides only in the features, exactly as expressed in the claims, nor that each feature of the claims is required for patentability.

Respectfully submitted,

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